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SUBJ: UPPER VOLTAN PRELIMINARY 1975 BUDGET

REF: OUAGA A-38, SEPTEMBER 19, 1974

1. GOUV HAS ANNOUNCED PRELIMINARY 1975 BUDGET  
BALANCED AT 15,064,450,000 CFA (\$70 MILLION), RISE OF  
12 PER CENT OVER PREVIOUS YEAR. THIS FIGURE MAY GO  
HIGHER DEPENDING ON WHETHER FRANCE OR EEC MAKE DIRECT  
BUDGETARY CONTRIBUTIONS AS THEY HAVE DONE IN PREVIOUS  
DROUGHT YEARS. SOME FORM OF FRENCH SUBSIDY IS BELIEVED  
LIKELY FOR THIS YEAR BUT NO FIRM FIGURES ARE YET  
AVAILABLE.

2. TURNOVER TAXES IN FORM OF CUSTOMS AND IMPORT DUTIES  
WILL MAKE UP 65 PER CENT OF TOTAL REVENUES. INCOME  
TAXES ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF REMAINDER. BUDGET FIGURES  
DO NOT SHOW ESTIMATED REVENUE FROM NEWLY IMPOSED  
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"CONTRIBUTION PATRIOTIQUE" WHICH IS DESIGNED COVER

ADDITIONAL MOBILIZATION COSTS DUE TO MALI-GOUV BORDER DISPUTE. OUR ROUGH CALCULATIONS SUGGEST VOLTANS COULD, IN THEORY AT LEAST, REALIZE ADDITIONAL 1.7 BILLION CFA IN REVENUES.

3. NEW BUDGET DEVOTES 70 PER CENT OF EXPENDITURES TO PAYMENT CURRENT OPERATING COSTS, I.E., SALARIES, MAINTENANCE, ETC. DEFENSE AND INTERIOR EACH SHOW INCREASES OF 13 PER CENT. TOGETHER, THESE TWO ITEMS ACCOUNT FOR 18 PER CENT TOTAL EXPENDITURES; MOST OF THIS MONEY GOES FOR MANPOWER COSTS. AS IN PAST, GOUV WILL PROBABLY FINANCE ANY MILITARY EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURES OUT OF SIZABLE FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES. NEW BUDGET REFLECTS INCREASED PRIORITY ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. SPENDING FOR MINISTRY OF PLAN AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT IS UP 70 PER CENT OVER 1974. SOME OF THIS INCREASE IS AT EXPENSE OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TRADITIONALLY LARGEST SINGLE MINISTERIAL RECIPIENT, WHICH SHOWS ONLY SLIGHT INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR.GRAHAM

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